

Merchantville, NJ May 4, 2020

A Special meeting of Borough Council was held at 7:30 PM, Monday, May 4, 2020. Mayor Ted Brennan presided. Pledge of Allegiance and Silent Prayer for those affected by COVID 19 were observed. Announcement was made that the meeting had been advertised in accordance with the regulations prescribed by the "Open Public Meetings Act".

**ROLL CALL:**

Council Present: Sean Fitzgerald, Andrew McLoone, Anthony Perno, Maria Nina Scarpa, Dan Sperrazza, Raymond Woods, and Edward Brennan. CFO Denise Moules and Clerk Denise Brouse were present on Zoom.

**PUBLIC: None**

**RESOLUTIONS to be read by consent agenda:** On the motion of Mr. Perno and second of Ms. Scarpa, Council approved the following resolutions:

**R20-62  
RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF  
MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE  
OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING AN EXTENSION OF  
SECOND QUARTER PROPERTY TAX GRACE PERIOD  
TO JUNE 1, 2020**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:4-66(a), taxes for municipalities operating under the calendar fiscal year shall be payable for the second installment on May 1; and

**WHEREAS**, taxpayers may be suffering from one or more financial hardships caused by or related to the COVID-19 pandemic, including but not limited to a substantial loss of or drop in income and additional expenses such as those relating to necessary healthcare; and

**WHEREAS**, the COVID-19 outbreak has caused substantial disruption for many taxpayers making it difficult for many residents to meet the May 1, 2020 due date for timely payment of real property taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, Governor Philip D. Murphy issued Executive Order No. 130 allowing a governing body of a municipality with a calendar year budget cycle to adopt a resolution extending the grace period for the payment of second-quarter property taxes to a date no later than June 1, 2020.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville, in the County of Camden and State of New Jersey that the grace period for the payment of second quarter property taxes is extended to June 1, 2020.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** the Municipal Clerk shall notify the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of this resolution not later than the third business day next following the adoption of said resolution.

**ADJOURNMENT:** On the motion of Mr. Perno and second of Mr. Sperrazza the meeting was adjourned at 7:33 P.M.

**ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING HAS BEEN PROVIDED  
OFFICIAL ACTION MAY BE TAKEN AT THIS MEETING  
AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

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**Denise Brouse, Borough Clerk**